BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Southwest)	
Missouri Cable TV, Inc. for Designation as an)	Case No. TO-98-275
Eligible Carrier Pursuant to Section 254 of the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.)	
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ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Southwest Missouri Cable TV, Inc. (SNCTV) filed a petition on December 31, 1997, asking for designation as a telecommunications carrier eligible to receive federal universal service funding. The Commission directed parties wishing to intervene to file an Application to Intervene no later than February 9, 1998. GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE) filed an application to intervene on February 9, stating that GTE is a basic local exchange carrier and, as such, has an interest in any decision by the Commission with regard to federal universal service support. GTE states that its interest is different from that of the general public.

The Commission finds that the application for intervention is in substantial compliance with Commission rules and that GTE has an interest in this matter which is different from that of the general public. The Commission concludes that the request for intervention should be granted. The Commission will schedule a prehearing conference and direct the parties to propose a procedural schedule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That GTE Midwest Incorporated is granted intervention in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.075.

- 2. That the parties shall meet in a prehearing conference on March 5, 1998, at 9:00 p.m. in Conference Room 3 of the Commission's offices on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.
- 3. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than March 12, 1998.
- 4. That anyone wishing to attend the prehearing conference who has special needs as addressed by the Americans With Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days before the prehearing or hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline -1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline -1-800-829-7541.
 - 5. That this order shall become effective on February 23, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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L. Anne Wickliffe, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 23rd day of February, 1998.